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In re Application of

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For: ENGINE WITH VARIABLE LIFT VALVE MECHANISM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The original claims that form the basis of this U.S. national stage application for the purpose of examination and amendment are the claims of the International application, as originally filed.

Please make the following amendments to this application prior to examination thereof.